

# MOLINE'S SECTION OF THE ARGUS

Day's News Happenings in Rock Island's Sister City

## ED CORYN MADE KNIGHT OF ORDER OF KING LEOPOLD

Honor Conferred at a Banquet in Presence of Gathering of 200.

SECOND TIME IN AMERICA

Appreciation of Work as Leader of Belgian-Americans Acknowledged by Cable.

Edward Coryn, Moline's leading Belgian-American, is today wearing the insignia of a knight of the order of King Leopold II, being one of two men in this country so honored. Conferring of the badge took place at the Manufacturers' hotel, last evening in the presence of 200 members of local Belgian societies, leading Belgian-Americans from a number of other cities, and Moline friends of the man whom the meeting was called to honor.

In the absence of C. Symon, Belgian ambassador to the United States, who was detained in Washington, Rene Van Crombrughe, Belgian consul at Green Bay, Wis., acted as the personal representative of King Albert, ruler of Belgium, in conferring the badge, which was pinned upon Mr. Coryn at the close of the opening invocation, offered by Rev. A. A. Notebaert of Rochester, N. Y., the only other Belgian-American who bears the honor conferred upon Mr. Coryn.

As the badge was put in place the orchestra struck up the Belgian national air and the guests rose and cheered. Afterwards, between the courses of the banquet, a number of addresses were given.

### LIKE KNIGHT OF OLD

Dr. C. Vermeren of Chicago, representing Charles Henrotin, Belgian consul there, compared Mr. Coryn to the knights of old, saying he believed that the Moline man was made of the same stuff as the valorous Flemish knights, his work being equally worthy of the praise of men.

Responding, Mr. Coryn denied that any great credit should be given him. He contended that members of Belgian-American societies who have cooperated with him have made possible all that he has accomplished. Probably 100 men in the banquet hall, he said, were as much deserving of knighthood as himself.

Fel. Streyckmans of Chicago declared that in honoring Mr. Coryn the king paid tribute to the worth and integrity of all those who have worked with him in bettering the condition of the Belgian speaking people in America.

HAD NO "PULL." Mayor M. R. Carlson extended congratulations to Mr. Coryn on behalf of the city of Moline. Much is heard nowadays, he said, of the "pull" that is supposed to win places for many men. Mr. Coryn, to the speaker's

## DEGREE OF KNIGHTHOOD CONFERRED ON MOLINE'S FOREMOST BELGIAN CITIZEN



Edward Coryn.

knowledge, never had such advantage in his rise to the position of leader among his people. His place was attained by hard work and true worth. The mayor made a plea for cooperation among citizens generally, taking example from the success of the Belgian-Americans in their work for the betterment of conditions.

Attorney M. J. McEniry declared that Mr. Coryn's success should be regarded as partly due to the opportunity that Moline afforded him. In his native land, handicapped by environment, no man can hope to rise by his own efforts to the eminence that Mr. Coryn has attained here.

Among other speakers were Peter Meersman of Moline, whose topic was "What Can We Do?"; Rev. A. A. Notebaert, on "Catholics in America," and Joseph Nys, who spoke in Flemish.

A. C. Vander Vennet presided as toastmaster. At the conclusion of the program the following resolutions were adopted and carried to the Belgian king: Whereas, His majesty, King Albert I of Belgium has bestowed a decoration of the Order of Knight of King Leopold II upon our esteemed fellow citizen, Ed Coryn, and,

Whereas, We, his townsmen, banqueting with him in celebration of the conferring of this honor, knowing his sterling worth and his untiring efforts in the service of the Belgian speaking people of this city and country, desire to extend

our thanks to his majesty, King Albert of Belgium, therefore be it Resolved, That we send a message bearing our appreciation for this honor and attesting the worth of the recipient to his majesty, king of Belgium, followed by a copy of these resolutions in suitable form.

## PARNON UNDER WEIGHT; BYLUND IS FAVORITE

Owing to the fact that Jim Parnon, the Chicago wrestler, claims to have been ill lately and to be now slightly under weight, Bobby Bylund of this city is a strong favorite in the wrestling match to be staged before the Olympic club tonight. There will be two preliminaries, Nordholm, member of the club, will oppose James Curious, a local Greek, and Tuilly Erickson, a newcomer here, meet Albert Francis of LaHarpe, Ill. John Voss of Rock Island will be referee.

## REAL ESTATE STILL BOOMS

Owner Declines Big Offer for Fifth Avenue Property. A. E. Froyd has concluded that no immediate slump in Moline real estate is in sight. Recently he offered \$20,000 for a 60 foot lot on Fifth avenue between Eighteenth and Nineteenth street and was turned down. A couple of years ago the owner would have jumped at an offer of half that sum, he says.

## TAKES OWN LIFE BECAUSE TIRED OF PRETENDING?

This is Theory Advanced in Connection With Death of Peter Martens.

BODY IN MOLINE SLOUGH

Discharged After Long Term With the Power Company, He Kept Up Pretense of Employment.

Peter Martens, a laborer formerly employed by the People's Power company and rooming at the Led DeSmet boarding house at 2229 Fourth avenue, Rock Island, was drowned in the Mississippi river, here some time Thursday afternoon. The body was found at 5 o'clock back of the city pumping plant by Ben Wood, having been brought to the surface by the wash of a passing boat.

Martens is believed to have committed suicide, though the coroner's jury which inquired into his death this morning returned an open verdict. He left his boarding place as usual Thursday morning carrying his lunch and was not seen afterward by acquaintances.

Where he had been working is not known. For 10 years he worked for the power company, but he was discharged last May. Mr. De Smet, proprietor of the boarding house, testified at the inquest that he did not know of the man's discharge and that he had continued to leave with his lunch at the regular hour every morning, not showing up till night. It is possible that he pretended to be employed during the weeks that have intervened since losing his job so as to maintain his credit with his landlord. Mr. De Smet testified that he had often trusted the dead man for long periods when he was out of funds.

### WAS HEAVY DRINKER.

Martens was a heavy drinker and had been in a despondent state of mind for some time. The presumption is that he became tired of being continually in financial straits and at the same time pretending to be employed and that he quietly dropped into the water near the point where his body was found.

Coroner Meyer expressed the opinion that the remains had not been in the water more than three hours when they were taken out.

Martens was 45 years of age and unmarried. He has no relatives in this country so far as is known. The inquest was held at the Knox undertaking rooms in this city.

## OBJECT TO PLANS OF PHONE PEOPLE

East Moline Council Wants More Lines of Automatic Company Underground.

Members of the city council of East Moline and representatives of the Tri-City Automatic Home Telephone company held a meeting last night to consider the franchise covering operations of the company. A number of objections were raised by members of the council to certain sections of the franchise.

Most important of these was that not enough lines are to be placed underground. More free phones for use of the city were asked for and a demand was made for a flat rate of \$1 for the privilege of installing phone meters. The matter was laid over for further consideration.

## BACK IS BROKEN SAYS DOCTORS IN THE CASE

An examination of Eder ood by Dr. A. H. Arp of Moline and Dr. G. L. Eyster of Rock Island confirmed the report of the original diagnosis—that the man's back was broken, caused by bone pressure. Mr. Wood was injured several weeks ago while directing work on his sand boat at Hampton. For a time he was not expected to live.

## NOISE SHIELDS BURGLARS

Enables Them to Break Into Saloon and Get Away With \$100.

Burglars, operating while noisy trains were passing back of the place, cut a panel out of a rear door at the saloon of Nelson & Mortenson, 1212 Third avenue, Wednesday night and secured cash and goods to the total value of \$100. After taking all the cash in the till they gathered up a quantity of cigars and several bottles of wine. There is no clue.

### Piano Store Closes.

C. S. Hackett of Bellefontaine, Ohio, has purchased the stock of the Cable-Nelson Piano company in this city and the local store will be closed. Harry W. Ramsdell, manager of the Cable-Nelson establishment here, plans to go into business for himself.

### Assaults Boy.

S. L. Wilson, 2129 Sixth avenue, was arrested this afternoon charged with assaulting Roy Standcliffe, 13-year-old son of Mrs. Albert Standcliffe, 511

Twenty-second street. According to the story to the police by Mrs. Standcliffe, Wilson, who is a prominent citizen of Moline, struck the boy in the back with a ball bat, when the lad refused to comply with his (Wilson's) orders to stop playing ball. When the police refused to take action the mother swore out a warrant for Wilson's arrest.

## RAISE TUITION IN EAST MOLINE

Charge for Outside Pupils in the High School Is More Than Doubled by Board.

Tuition in the East Moline high school was advanced by the board of education at its meeting Thursday evening from \$12 to \$25 per year. Tuition in the grade schools will be \$2 per month. Superintendent Hoffman was given authority to change the division lines between grade schools if circumstances appear to warrant.

The resignation of Miss Ruth Kinsey, who will teach in Rock Island this season, was accepted. Fred Chidister was named as janitor of the Watertown and McKinley schools at a salary of \$50 per month.

Text books in the Watertown school will be changed to conform to those used in East Moline.

It was voted to advertise for bids for a new concrete walk around the McKinley school and for wiring and plumbing in that building.

The staff of teachers for the coming term is virtually complete. Superintendent Hoffman enters upon his ninth year in his present capacity. He will be assisted in the high school by Miss Helen Story of Monmouth and Miss Elinor Scott of Moline. Teachers in the other buildings are:

Lincoln—Eighth grade, Miss Jennie Cronholm of Rock Island; seventh grade, Miss Alice Dornedy of East Moline; primary, Miss Viola Ross of Moline; Miss Mollie Edwards of Moline and Miss Agnes Rettig of Rock Island. One vacancy exists in this school.

John Deere—Principal, Miss Frances Becker of Moline; grades, Miss Nita Bower of Moline, Miss Frieda Zude of Sherrard and primary, Miss Bessie Donagho of East Moline.

Garfield—Miss Lestine Musgrove of East Moline and Miss Ada Gage of East Moline.

McKinley—Miss Bertha Edwards of Moline and Miss Myrtle Murray of East Moline.

## ALTER SCHEDULE FOR LAST GAMES

Double Header Will Be Played by Factory League Teams on Browning Field.

For the last games of the series of the factory league Saturday, several changes have been made in the schedule. The contest between Deere & Co. and the Silvis shops, which will decide second honors and the winner of which has a chance to tie for first, will be played on Browning field, a double header on those grounds resulting. Root & Vandervoort and the Moline Plow company will play at Campbell's island instead of at East Moline. The schedule follows:

Browning field—Deere Wagon company vs. Deere Harvester company and Deere & Co. vs. Silvis shops. Augustana campus—Union Malleable Iron vs. Velles.

Riverside—Deere & Mansur vs. Mutual Wheel.

Watertown—Coopers vs. Marselles. Campbell's island—Root & Vandervoort vs. Moline Plow company.

## OLYMPICS WILL PLAY AT COAL VALLEY HOME COMING

Games are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday by the Olympics. Saturday the team plays with Coal Valley at that village, the contest being a feature of the home coming festivities there. Dexter will do the slab work. Sunday the Davenport Brunswicks, which have not been defeated since they met the Moline Tigers early in the season, will play the Olympics at Browning field. The Moline team will use its strongest lineup.

## CADY LEAVES IN A MONTH

Date of Departure of East Moline Pastor Is Announced.

Rev. George R. Cady, pastor of the East Moline, Watertown and Hampton Methodist churches and chaplain at the Watertown hospital, will leave the latter part of September for his new work at Clinton, Iowa. In the meantime the vacancy here will be filled by the conference.

### Sprains Ankle.

Miss Carrie Hufford, 505½ Fifteenth street, is nursing a sprained ankle as a result of falling in alighting from a street car at Fifth avenue and Fifteenth street. She was returning from Campbell's island at the time of the accident.

### Change Date of Opening Bids.

Date of opening bids for the paving of Sixteenth avenue, East Moline, has been changed by the board of local improvements of that city from Aug. 25 to Sept. 4, the postponement being necessary to conform to the law.



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Speaking of enterprise! Moline has more of it than a town twice its size. Last week the Greater Moline committee started a campaign to raise \$75,000 to add to the \$25,000 subscribed by Deere & Co. and thus bring the amount up to \$100,000 for use in reviving the Moline Loan & Home association. At the luncheon today the committee in charge of the work reported that \$192,500 had been subscribed up to the present time. This amount, with the \$117,200 outstanding, and the \$25,000 of Deere & company, brings the total amount up to \$334,700.

It was decided to continue the canvassing for another week and set the mark at a half million dollars. With \$500,000 in the treasury the association will be so situated financially, as to be able to loan \$1,500 every month.

### COLONA BRIDGE.

The Colona bridge matter was revived at the meeting today and the sentiment of those present was to continue the fight for the construction of the bridge and prevail upon the board of supervisors to appropriate this county's share and have the mandamus proceedings brought by Henry county withdrawn. At the last meeting of the supervisors, an attempt was made to have the board pass a resolution in favor of the project, but the cry of "too poor" went up twenty strong and nothing came of the matter.

### AFTER THE HOSPITAL.

G. A. Shalberg was appointed to appear before the board of directors of the Augustana hospital and present the claims of Moline to have the proposed new building erected in Moline. The matter was discussed at length and everything possible will be done to have the institution established in this city.

## HOLD PICNIC TO WELCOME PASTOR

Members of Trinity Lutheran Congregation Have Outing at Prospect Park.

Cordial welcome was extended to Rev. Samuel M. Miller, recently installed as pastor of Trinity Lutheran church at a picnic and reception held Thursday at Prospect park. Seventy-five members of his congregation were at the park during the day and in the evening this number was considerably augmented. A basket lunch was served at noon and in the afternoon ice cream and cake were dispensed.

After dinner a welcome was extended to Mr. Miller on behalf of the deacons by J. B. Oakleaf, on behalf of the trustees by John Sundine and on behalf of the city by Mayor M. R. Carlson. All the Lutheran pastors of the three cities were invited and those present spoke. They were Rev. Edward Eckstam of Salem Lutheran church of this city and Rev. Nelson of First Lutheran church and Rev. N. J. Forsberg of Zion Lutheran church of Rock Island.

A \$50 bill was presented to Mr. Miller by members of the congregation.

### Has Fall.

Mrs. Julia Veys of East Moline was painfully bruised at 6 o'clock last evening while alighting from a Watertown car at Warner's Crossing, and her infant daughter, who she was holding at the time, was thrown to the side-

walk and suffered several scratches. The car was stationary, and the accident was caused when a boy stepped on the hem of Mrs. Veys' dress.

## BIG TRACT PURCHASED AND WILL BE PLATTED

Fifty-five acres of land comprising the A. S. Wright farm lying on the north side of Colona avenue have been purchased by a syndicate and will be platted and placed on the market. The price paid is in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

The purchasers are D. H. Duncan, W. E. Tolles, N. H. Green and R. K. Swan. The land extends from Thirtieth to Thirty-fourth street and as far north as Eleventh-and-three-quarters avenue. It will be divided into 300 lots from 40 to 50 feet in width and from 130 to 150 feet deep.

## TO PLAY BASEBALL SERIES

East Moline Married and Single Men Propose to See Who Is Who.

East Moline married and single men have decided to play a series of ball games for a supper. The contest of last Saturday will count, giving the married men a lead of one. Some changes will likely be made in both teams to strengthen weak spots that were apparent in the opening contest.

### Has Foot Smashed.

Richard Titts, an employee of the Sulvis shops and a resident of that village, had a foot badly crushed while at work Wednesday. He was treated at the city hospital.

### Newsboy to Lecture.

Julius Rath, the newsboy pedestrian, will talk on his travels at the Starlight aerodrome tonight, illustrating scenes he has visited with lantern slides. He will be in the city till Monday.

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